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the former decisions of the same Court, that the Legislature had no power to authorize a municipal corporation (town, city, or county), to become subscribers to the stock of a railway corporation. This case is discussed with great ability, both by the Court and the counsel, and occupies nearly forty pages, which precluded its publication in this magazine, although furnished us in season; and while we believe that the decision will be regarded by capitalists as unjust and impolitic, we feel compelled to say, that in our humble judgment, it is the only view fairly reconcilable with principle. I. F. R.

REPORTS OF CASES ARGUED AND DETERMINED IN THE SUPREME COURT AND COURT OF ERRORS AND APPEALS OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY. By ANDREW DUTCHER, Esq., Reporter. Vol. 5. Trenton. 1863.

With this volume, which is the fifth by the present Reporter, we have the commencement of a new title by which the Reports are proposed to be known hereafter, as New Jersey Law Reports, of which the present will be Vol. 29. We sincerely hope that this attempt to establish uniformity of citation may be more successful than has been the case in our own State; for though the title of Pennsylvania State Reports is backed by the authority of an Act of Assembly, yet it is rarely used by the profession, who cling tenaciously to the old style of citation by the Reporter's name, notwithstanding the manifest advantages of the new title.

The high character of both the bench and bar of New Jersey has always given its Reports a value outside of the State itself; and this is especially the case when the work of reporting is so faithfully done as by Mr. Dutcher. The present volume, creditable for its mechanical execution, as well as for its higher merits, will be found to contain many cases of interest and value to the profession in general, among which may be especially mentioned King *vs.* Paterson and Hudson River Railroad Co., on the title of stockholders to dividends after they are declared, and the duties of directors in declaring dividends; The State *vs.* Jersey City, on municipal legislation concerning railroad tracks in the streets and the speed, &c., of trains in city limits; Voorhees *vs.* Jones, on secret agreements among partners as to non-liability and non-participation in profits; Paullin *vs.* Kaighn, on contribution and subrogation between co-sureties; and the elaborate case of Duncan, Sherman & Co. *vs.* Gilbert, both in the Supreme Court and the Court of Errors and Appeals, upon accommodation notes. J. T. M.